### Excel Module 4a Creating Charts

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## **Getting Started with Excel Charts**

- A **CHART** is a graphical representation of data.
- Charts shows trends or relationships in data.
- Excel provides **59 types of charts** organized into 10 categories. (Page EX196).

## **Student Learning Outcomes**

- Identify the **Types of Charts**.
- Create an **Embedded Chart** or Move the Chart to a separate **Chart Sheet**.
- Modify the chart.
- Insert Footer in a Chart Sheet.

#### **Chart Types**

Column or Bar

Line

Pie

Combo



#### Description

A **column or bar chart** uses bars of varying heights or lengths to illustrate data in a worksheet. It is useful for comparing values from different categories.

A **line chart** uses points connected by a line to show data, and is ideal for illustrating trends over time.

A **pie chart** shows the relationship of parts to a whole. Each part is shown as a "slice" of the pie.

A **combo chart** combines two or more chart types.

## **4 Steps to Create a Chart**

- Step1: Highlight Chart Range (most important step)
- **Step2:** Choose Chart <u>Type</u>
  - Use Insert Tab, click Recommended Charts, click All Charts
- Step3: Choose Chart Location
  - EMBEDDED Chart
  - or MOVE a separate Chart Sheet
- Step4: Modify Chart

## Ways to Modify Chart

#### Chart Elements Button +

#### • On the **Ribbon**

Chart Tools ->Design or Format Tab

#### • Format Pane (right-side)

Double-click on any part of the chart to open on the right-side.

# • EXPLORE all the options.